ePlanning Overview

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What is ePlanning?

- ePlanning was envisioned as a system that would link planning documents with their associated maps and supporting documents, and to provide public access to the documents via the Internet.

- A centralized system of software that incorporates:
  - NEPA and Planning Laws, Policy, Regulations and Guidance
  - Facilitates collaborative planning across administrative boundaries
  - Standard templates and stylesheets that promote consistency
  - Public access through a single Internet Register (portal).

- The BLM system was approved for use by all DOI agencies in the Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance (OEPC) document *"Planning and NEPA Blueprint"*.

ePlanning Benefits

- Aligns with eGov mandates for improving collaboration and transparency with partners and the public in the planning process.

- Allows BLM to create Planning and NEPA documents with a common look and feel.

- Documents, maps and supplemental information are published to a NEPA or Land Use Planning Register that are accessible through project websites on the Internet.

- Public review and commenting is possible via interactive web documents, comment enabled PDFs, or traditional methods.

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Who is using ePlanning?

OFFICE	LEVEL OF USE
Nevada (Mandatory implementation memo issued in August 2011)	NEPA Documents; Las Vegas RMP Revision; Battle Mountain RMP
Washington Office	Wild Horse & Burro Strategy
Alaska	NEPA Documents; Eastern Interior RMP
Arizona	Aqua Fria National Monument RMP; Bradshaw Harquahala RMP
Idaho	NEPA Documents; Four Rivers RMP
Utah	Cedar City RMP
Wyoming	NEPA Documents; Sage Grouse RMP Amendments; Bighorn Basin RMP

How is ePlanning Accessed?

- ePlanning is available to the public 24/7 via the Internet

- Search by Keyword or select from the menu options for specific criteria using the interactive Register.

- One searchable portal for access to BLM NEPA and Land Use Planning documents.

The NEPA Register

https://www.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/nepa/nepa_register.do

The Land Use Planning Register

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Land Use Planning Register

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State(s)
- Idaho
- Montana
- Nevada
- New Mexico
- Oregon/Washington

Office(s)
- All
- NV - Battle Mounta
- NV - Las Vegas FO
- NV - Mount Lewis
- NV - Pahrump FO

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Office	Plan Name	Type of Planning Effort	Project Status	Site Status	Public Comment Period
NV - Las Vegas FO NV - Pahrump FO	RMP Revision for the Las Vegas and Pahrump field offices	RMP Revision - EIS	Active	Active	
NV - Battle Mountain DO NV - Mount Lewis FO NV - Tonopah FO	Battle Mountain District RMP	RMP - EIS	Active	Active	

https://www.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/lup/lup_register.do

Comment Periods

Reviewing & Commenting

- Interactive documents and maps are accessible on the NEPA and Land Use Planning Registers.

Documents

Scoping

| Document Name	Release Date	Available Formats	Public Comment Period
Bates Hole TMP Information	1 April, 2010	(73 KB)	Closed - Comments Allowed

- During open comment periods the interested public can participate online using an interactive document and comment form.

Submission Acknowledgement

Comments	Name & Address	Submission Classification	Review Submission	Submission Acknowledgement
1	2	3	4	5

Submission Successful
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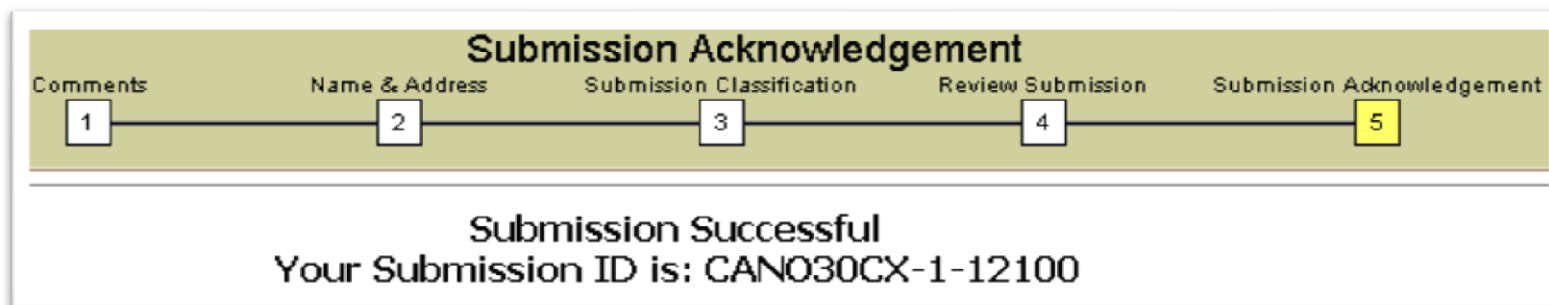
- Comments may also be made using a downloadable comment enabled PDF or using traditional methods (email, letter, etc.)

ePlanning Help and Information

- In the ePlanning Register click "Help" in the upper right corner.
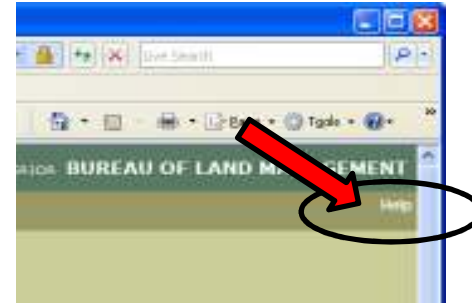
- The BLM ePlanning website
  http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/planning/planning_overview/eplanning2.html

- The BLM National Training Center
  Instructional videos and information are available in a searchable Knowledge Resource Center on the Internet.
  http://www.ntc.blm.gov/krc/   (Search on ePlanning)

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SNDO Accomplishes ePlanning Milestone

In September, the SNDO celebrated its 116th Environmental Assessment (EA) entry into the ePlanning system for FY 2010. Bob Dieli, Las Vegas Field Office supervisory recreation planner won the "race" as the first EA to roll to the second page in WebTop. Including Categorical Exclusions (CXs) and Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNAs), almost 238 NEPA projects were made in ePlanning by SNDO in 2010.

The milestone was a surprise to Dieli, who at the time thought the system had lost his work when he did not find his EA on the list. Katie Klienick, Great Basin Institute research associate, had been waiting for the day the Las Vegas Field Office exceeded the 100 records that can be displayed on the first screen. She responded to Dieli's call for help and was able to locate the EA on the second page. Dieli was heard to remark, "I'm amazed the thing didn't implode!" after he started entering his first EA into ePlanning.

"ePlanning has been a big cultural change for our office," said Carrie Ronning who is helping SNDO implement ePlanning. "We're not in love with it yet, but we are successfully entering and completing the NEPA process in the system. We have made it to this point due to the commitment by the whole office to implement the application."

Marguerite Adams, leading ePlanning implementation for Nevada, also thanked those who participated in the ePlanning post implementation review survey. "We're half way there! Three districts - SNDO, Battle Mountain, and Ely have completed ePlanning basics training, and by the end of March 2011 all six BLM Nevada districts will have completed training! According to Adams, what happens in Las Vegas doesn't have to stay in Las Vegas if they can successfully deploy ePlanning for NEPA, the rest of the districts can too. *(Kirsten Cannon)*

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laptops for training, and Lillian Ryan for fielding li
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Las Vegas!

**Spring 2011
Looks Like We Made It!**

Group photo